(SRI H. C. LINGA REDDY)

(*d*) Does not arise in view of reply to (*c*).

(*e*) No works are carried out under the Malnad Development Board as such. All works are included in the Plan Programme and executed accordingly.

Satyagraha in connection with Border Disputes in Belgaum, Karwar and Bidar Districts.

*Q.—362. SRI B. D. NAIK (Nipani).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

the names of the villages in Belgaum, Karwar and Bidar Districts where Satyagraha was launched since 1st November 1958 in connection with the border disputes ?

*A.—SRI B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister).—

BELGAUM DISTRICT.

(1) Belgaum, (2) Nipani, and (3) Khanapur.

NORTH KANARA DISTRICT.

(1) Karwar, and (2) Halyal.

BIDAR DISTRICT.

(1) Bhalki.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Re : Death of a Satyagrahi in Bellary Central Prison.

MR. SPEAKER.—I have to bring a matter to the notice of hon'ble members. The Hon'ble Member Sri V. S. Patil has given notice of an adjournment motion, which reads as follows :

"I wish to move a motion for adjournment of the business of the Assembly for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of public importance under the following circumstances :

Hundreds of Satyagrahis convicted by the Magistrates at Belgaum, Chikodi (Nipani) and Khanapur in the Belgaum District. have been sent up to the Central Prison at Bellary. There is no adequate medical treatment in any of the prisons and consequently the Satyagrahi-convicts had to depend upon fate.

One of the Satyagrahis, Gopalappa Chaugule, died on 9th March 1959 in the Central Prison at Bellary for want of medical treatment and other facilities.

The prison authorities did not care even to intimate about the illness to the relatives of the deceased nor they took any care of the said Satyagrahi.

This inhuman conduct on the part of the Government is most reprehensible.

It is reliably learnt that many more Satyagrahi-prisoners at Bellary are suffering from 'flu', etc., and their lives are in danger due to the callous misbehaviour of the Government servants.

I, therefore, request you to grant me permission to move the said resolution of adjournment under rule 50 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Bnsiness."

I have to bring one fact to the notice of the Hon'ble Member. The portion relating to inhuman conduct, etc., has been disallowed by me, but so far as the two other points are concerned, namely, that one of the Satyagrahis died in the Prison, and that authorities did not care even to intimate the relatives of the deceased, I allow them, but before doing that I would like to hear from Government what they have to say in the matter.

SRI B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister).—Mr. Speaker, Sir, from 1st of November 1958 in all 7,920 Satyagrahis have offered Satyagraha ; 6,393 are from the Mysore State and 1,527 are from the Bombay State ; 1,785 have been convicted under the Bombay Police Act and 265 Satyagrahis have been transferred from Belgaum Jail to Bellary Jail. Sri Gopalappa Chaugale from Chikodi Taluk, Belgaum District, was convicted and sentenced by the First Class Magistrate, Chikodi, to